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SUBJ: CVT PRESIDENT OBJECTS TO SAK SUPPORT OF "PRG"

1. CVT PRESIDENT TRAN QUOC BUU SENT A TELEGRAM TO PEKKA
OIVIO, CHAIRMAN OF SAK, CONTAINING FOLLOWING MESSAGE IN ENGLISH:

BEGIN TEXT DEAR COMRADE, NEWSPAPER STORIES TELL ME THAT THE
CONFEDERATION OF FINNISH TRADE UNIONS (SAK) HAS DONATED LARGE
SUMS OF MONEY TO THE "PRG" INFORMATION OFFICE IN HELSINKI.
AS PRESIDENT OF THE CONFEDERATION OF VIETNAMESE TRADE UNIONS (CVT),
I AM COMPELLED OUT OF CONSCIENCE AND DUTY TO THE 400,000 MEMBERS
OF THE CVT TO ASK YOU TO RECONSIDER THIS ACTION. THE SO-CALLED
"PRG" IS NOT AND NEVER HAS BEEN A GOVERNMENT OR ANYTHING
APPROACHING A GOVERNMENT. IT IS NOTHING MORE THAN THE SOUTHERN
BRANCH OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY OF NORTH VIETNAM. PARA SURELY A
FREE AND DEMOCRATIC COUNTRY SUCH AS YOURS MUST BE CONCERNED ABOUT
THE WHOLE TRUTH AND NOT BE MISLED BY THE DISTORTED LIES THAT
COMMUNISTS FROM SOUTH AND NORTH VIETNAM ARE TELLING. PARA AS I TOLD
THE DELEGATES TO OUR 25TH ANNIVERSARY CONVENTION OF
THE CVT, PEACE IS ESSENTIAL TO OUR HOPES FOR IMPROVED ECONOMIC
CONDITIONS AND PEACE WILL NOT PREVAIL UNTIL THE COMMUNIST NORTH
VIETNAMESE TELL THEIR LACKIES, THE "PRG", TO MEET AT THE
NEGOTIATING TABLE AND IMPLEMENT THE PARIS AGREEMENT. IMPLEMENTING
ARTICLE 12 WILL RESULT IN AN INTERNATIONALLY SUPERVISED ELECTION TO
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DETERMINE BY WHOM AND HOW SOUTH VIETNAM SHALL BE GOVERNED.

THE "PRG" HAS FOR THE LAST SIX MONTHS REFUSED TO ATTEND ANY MEETING CONCERNED WITH FULFILLING THE PARIS AGREEMENT. THE RECENT COMMUNIST SLAUGHTER OF CVT PLANTATION WORKERS AND CADRE IN PHUOC LONG PROVINCE IS VIVID TESTIMONY TO THE "PRG" DISDAIN FOR THE PARIS AGREEMENT. AT THE SAME TIME THEY AND THE WORLD COMMUNISTS CONTINUE THE BIG LIE TECHNIQUE AND ACCUSE THE GOVERNMENT OF SOUTH VIETNAM OF REFUSING TO IMPLEMENT THE PARIS AGREEMENT. PARA THERE IS ONE EASY WAY TO LEARN THE TRUTH. PLEASE COME AND VISIT SOUTH VIETNAM AND SEE FOR YOURSELF THAT THE VIETNAMESE PEOPLE CONTINUE TO VOTE AGAINST COMMUNISM WITH THEIR FEET, IN OVERWHELMING NUMBERS, WHILE FLEEING FROM THEIR SELF-PROCLAIMED LIBERATORS. PARA I ASK YOU AS ONE DEMOCRATIC TRADE UNIONIST TO ANOTHER TO PLEASE USE YOUR INFLUENCE TO PERSUADE YOUR COMRADES AND COUNTRYMEN NOT TO FINANCE COMMUNIST PROPAGANDA EFFORTS THAT ATTEMPT TO DECEIVE YOUR COUNTRYMEN. END TEXT.

2. EMBASSY WOULD BE INTERESTED IN ANY FEEDBACK YOU CAN PROVIDE.
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